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In re Application of:

Gridley et al.

Application No. 09/492,602

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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR For:

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Examiner: J. Fischer

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF DRAWING AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 26, 2001, submitted herewith is a revised drawing sheet containing FIG. 4 shown with a proposed change to the reference numerals. The proposed change to the drawing sheet is requested to be approved by the Examiner. No new matter has been introduced into the application by way of this revised drawing sheet.

Respectfully submitted

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I hereby certify that this REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF DRAWING AMENDMENT (along with any documents referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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